

## House Resolution No. 2109

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are deeply and profoundly saddened by the news of the recent passing of Andrew Habsieger, a Private First Class in the United States Army who was killed in the line of duty while supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

**Whereas**, the son of Michael and Brenda Habsieger of Festus, Missouri, PFC Andy Habsieger was a member of the Festus High School graduating class of 2004 and was known as "Mr. Football" for his tenacity on the football field; and

**Whereas**, admired for his leadership and compassion, Andy Habsieger joined the United States Army in February 2007 and was sent to Iraq in October as an Infantryman who was trained as a gunner and vehicle driver; and

**Whereas**, inspired to join the military after the terrorist attacks on his beloved country on September 11, 2001, PFC Andy Habsieger was only a few weeks away from ending his tour of duty when he was killed by an improvised explosive device while on patrol; and

**Whereas**, PFC Andy Habsieger was one of the soldiers whose recent death pushed the number of American soldiers killed in the five-year-long conflict to more than 4,000; and

**Whereas**, in addition to his parents, PFC Andy Habsieger is survived by his brother, twenty-three-year-old Jacob, who is also a soldier:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere condolences on this dreadfully sad occasion to the family of Private First Class Andrew Habsieger, who so bravely and unselfishly gave the last full measure of his devotion to his country and its causes; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the family of Private First Class Andrew Habsieger, as a measure of our esteem and our incalculable gratitude.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Ron Casey  
District No. 103

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 2109, adopted April 22, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker